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THE WEATHER  
INDIANA—Partly cloudy Thurs-  
day; Friday, slightly warmer.

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## Te Marks me Through 3-Day Recesses

SCHEDULED TO BE  
SEPTEMBER 4; THREE  
MONTHS MAY BE  
CONSUMED

(By Fred Holmes)  
Helm News Service)  
ington Correspondent of the  
Evening News)  
ington—Think of it! "The  
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now after strenuous con-  
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le as "The Most Prolifically  
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a few days ago for a session  
ated just two minutes. With  
of relief Washington settled  
y at least three days of re-  
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ne Senators—not even a  
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ident Curtis sounded the  
It was all over with such  
that it was no wonder  
visitors in the galleries—as  
as they are on days when  
important debate is anticipat-  
e vent to laughter.  
House, having virtually noth-  
ing to do on the program of  
cial session until the Senate  
y the tariff, is not scheduled  
sion until September 23.  
sion is marking time by tak-  
e-day recesses until Septem-  
when the fire-works over the  
ll are brooked to start.  
it has been seriously enter-  
ed that any tariff measure  
can be before Congress meets  
lar session on December 2.  
h, the rumor persists and gains  
it that the whole program of  
revision will yet be indefinitely  
ned. However, there is al-  
a strong indication that the  
icians in charge of the bill  
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South, it is said, is not the  
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e prosperity of which a high pro-  
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e for itself what it denies to  
e sections of the country. There  
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ern States have not failed to  
e to an unmistakable call from  
ent constituencies.

## U. S. Farmers To Fight Senate Tariff Slate

Washington—The senate version of the tariff bill is no more satisfactory to the farmers than the house version, according to representatives here of the two biggest farm organizations.

Officials of the American Farm Bureau Federation and the National Grange announced they would bend every effort to have the senate amend the bill. Both bodies were declared in favor of Senator Borah's stand and that of Senator Thomas of Oklahoma to confine the bill entirely to the agricultural schedules.

In addition, the National Grange will strive to have the export debenture plan for farm produce tacked on the tariff bill, it was said. Senator Norris of Nebraska is understood to be ready to offer his amendment.

"Unless the senate rewrites the bill on the floor, as I hope it will, it will be more satisfactory from our standpoint than the house bill or the present law and will leave the farmers at just as great disadvantage, as at present," said Chester H. Gray of the farm bureau federation.

"Boosting of the industrial schedules has left the spread just as great between industry and agriculture. The senate committee paid no heed to our plea to have our duties put on an ad-valorem basis instead of the present specific-basis and failed to give protection to American farm products against so-called substitutes from abroad, such as jute and vegetable oils."

Satisfactory protection is given by the senate bill only to two general classes of commodities in the long agricultural list, the grange officials said—maple sugar and dairy products. The hide and leather schedules were declared to be "very bad," as was the tariff on vegetable oils. Other unsatisfactory schedules were listed as those on beans, flaxseed, nuts, cherries, tobacco, while those on meats were declared "fairly good" and those on grains "satisfactory if we can get the export debenture."

Failure of the senate committee to put tariff on long-staple cotton was also criticized.

## Expect Naval Pact To Be Reached In Ten Days

Washington—The naval reduction discussions in London are now expected to reach a final point within the next ten days.

Administration officials are unwilling, however, to go beyond the statement that the negotiations are progressing favorably. Progress might be retarded, Secretary Stimson explains, by too much newspaper publicity at present.

President Hoover, Secretaries Stimson and Adams and Under-Secretary Cotton meanwhile have found themselves confronted with a heavy load of work as the negotiations approach a decision. They are conferring daily

## Plans Laid For Law Probe By U. S. Commission

FOUR EXPERTS SELECTED; CHICAGO UNIVERSITY TO CO-OPERATE ON STUDY

Washington—After laying its ground work with the accumulation of a huge mass of statistics and information, the National Law Enforcement Commission will meet September 4 to begin what probably will result in the most exhaustive analysis ever undertaken of crime and upholding of laws in the United States.

The commission has divided its study into eleven phases of the problem, with its members formed into committees to concentrate on the different subjects relating to crime conditions and law observance and enforcement. It is planned to facilitate the work of each committee through employment of experts in its particular field of investigation.

Four experts already have been selected and Chicago University is to co-operate with a study of one of the subjects—criminal justice and the foreign born. Commission officials expect that the organization of specialized assistance will be completed before the meeting next week.

Commission officials still expect the work to take a year or more. The plan to study the various phases of the problem will constitute their principal efforts for some time and they probably will not reach the stage of public hearings until late in the winter. Chairman Wickersham desires to obtain all available facts before augmenting this data with the views from witnesses.

In the study of the causes of crime, officials explained today such factors as heredity, environment, motives for criminal acts and mental defectiveness of criminals, would be analyzed.

The committee on lawlessness by Government law enforcement officers is confronting a variety of subjects including probably the killings of prohibition violators as well as offenders against other laws by pursuing officers. Other topics will include the question whether the "third degree" and other widely used methods of drawing information from criminals or suspects are justified.

## Urge Preservation Of Olympia

Washington—The last cruise of the Olympia, Dewey's flagship, would be charged not to the ignominy of the scrap heap but to the honor of retirement as a memorial to American valor under a proposal for its purchase made by Edward W. Harden, New York financier.

Harden, who as a newspaper correspondent was one of the few civilians present at the battle of Manila Bay, specifies in his offer of purchase—one of many plans for preservation of the historic vessel—an understanding that the ship will be preserved forever in Washington as a national memorial.

Unable to accept the offer outright, Secretary Adams has expressed the warm appreciation of the Navy De-

## Heads Discuss Bridge Opening

A one-day celebration instead of a two-day affair is now being planned by members of the Louisville Bridge commission, in connection with the opening of the new municipal traffic bridge between Jeffersonville and Louisville sometime this fall, according to an announcement following a meeting of the Commission Wednesday.

The change in plans previously announced came upon the advice of F. M. Masters of the Modjeski and Masters, Engineers, for the construction of the new traffic structure. The definite date, Mr. Masters has indicated for the opening is not yet determined. He said that the contract date provides for December 1.

D. E. G. Rose, general chairman of the commission on arrangement, reported the progress made by various committee heads. M. D. Schlosser, secretary of the Jeffersonville committee, reported that committees similar to those that are functioning in Louisville have been named and are making plans to participate. James W. Dunbar, New Albany, was named general chairman of the New Albany and Floyd county committee with authority to select subcommittee chairmen.

A report from the Weather Bureau, showing favorable weather for the past eleven years during the period up to November 20 but unfavorable later than that date, was read.

## "Dope" Peddler Escapes Agents, Arrested Here

SPECIAL OFFICIALS UNITE EFFORTS TO BREAK DRUG RING IN LOUISVILLE

James Paglina, 31 years old, giving his address as Louisville was arrested at 7 o'clock in Jeffersonville Wednesday night by Patrolmen Hutchinson Raymond and Merritt Norris and turned over to Federal authorities who made a raid on narcotic peddlers in Louisville, Wednesday.

Paglina is said to have fled from Louisville when the reins of the law began to tighten its forces and bring into light the illegal peddlers and dealers in a large drug ring that has been operating for some time in Louisville. According to Louisville police Paglina was one of the leaders whom they had set out to arrest.

J. A. Manning, Southern divisional chief, aided by Louisville police and detectives struck the first note of terror in the drug ring Wednesday when they brought in seventeen in their first haul in the city. All of the alleged peddlers arrested were arraigned before United States Commissioner Richard Slack at 8:30 o'clock Wednesday night, Louisville and placed under bonds totaling \$86,500 on charges of violation of the Harrison Narcotic Act.

After the arrests it was revealed by Mr. Manning that undercover men had bought more than 10,000 grains of the illicit drugs in Louisville within the past six weeks, paying more than \$3,000 for their purchases. Paglina was cited by the undercover

## Woman Held For Murder Of Her Husband

MRS. OLLIE MATHENA SAYS SHE STABBED MAN 17 TIMES IN SELF DEFENSE

Mrs. Ollie Burch Mathena, 26 years old, charged with stabbing her husband, James Mathena, 55 years old, former policeman, in the kitchen of their farmhouse at Underwood, twenty-six miles north of Jeffersonville near 8 o'clock Wednesday night was to have been brought before Coroner Asa D. Combs and Sheriff Hal K. Hughes, sometime after 3 o'clock Thursday afternoon. Mrs. Mathena was arrested by Sheriff Hughes shortly after the alleged murder took place and was committed to the Clark County jail awaiting an investigation of the incident.

A still, 150 bottles of home brew, four gallons of mash, five gallons of moonshine liquor, fifteen gallons of wine may have been contributing factors to the crime. A blood stained butcher knife, in the possession of the coroner is said to have been used by Mrs. Mathena in inflicting seventeen wounds in the body of her husband.

Mrs. Mathena is said to allege that she committed the crime as an act of self defense. A deep wound on the back of her left hand was treated after her arrest.

Deputy Sheriff Hughes and Coroner Asa Combs reported Thursday that they found Mathena's body on the floor of the kitchen, at the farmhouse Mrs. Mathena was found at the home of her father, Arthur Burch, a short distance away. Coroner Combs said the woman admitted wielding the knife upon the submission of their first questioning. She also said that she and her husband had been separated two weeks and that he returned home Wednesday seeking a reconciliation. Her husband was drunk, she averred, and an argument began.

According to the woman's story, Mathena grabbed a knife from the kitchen table, and struck at her, one of these blows she claims, struck her on the back of her hand. Mrs. Mathena told the officials that she and her husband had each been married before. Her first husband died in the World War, she said. She and Mathena had been married a year and five months.

A large number of witnesses were to be questioned this afternoon in the hearing conducted by Coroner Combs.

## Fire Rates In State, Lowered

Indianapolis—Reduced fire insurance rates which will save Indiana policy holders approximately \$810,000 annually were approved yesterday by Clarence C. Wysong, state insurance commissioner.

The reductions were on several classifications of risks held by stock insurance companies and were agreed upon following conferences with representatives of the Indiana Inspection Bureau and the Western Actuarial Bureau of Chicago, insurance organ-

## Mexican Head Puts "O. K." On American Football

Mexico City—The effort to introduce the American brand of football into Mexico has another enthusiastic supporter, President Portes Gil. The President devoted half an hour yesterday to a discussion of the game with Reginald Root, Yale line coach, who is now serving for three months as mentor of the University of Mexico, and ended by promising to attend the university's next game here.

Portes Gil, a sports enthusiast, said he was highly pleased that Mexican University boys have taken up intercollegiate football and expressed gratification to the Yale authorities for allowing Root to come to Mexico. The President said he hoped the time would come when the University of Mexico team would be able to play American college teams.

Intercollegiate football is a comparatively new game in Mexico. A group of American residents, including Ambassador Dwight Morrow, became interested in the efforts of the university boys to build up a team to play American football and contributed to a fund that brought Root here to take charge of the squad.

After a chat at Chapultepec, the President took Root to inspect the worker's sports field being built at Valbuena, just outside of Mexico City by the Government for the free use of worker-athletes. The field, which will be inaugurated next month will accommodate 50,000 workers.

## Says Post Office Deficit Is Myth

Washington—The National Federation of Post-office Clerks expects to launch a campaign at its biennial convention opening in New York September 2 to obtain a forty-four hour week with a half holiday on Saturdays.

William F. Flaherty, secretary-treasurer of the federation, also said in making the announcement that "the deficit in the Post-office Department is largely fictitious and that this, too, would be one of the questions to be discussed at the convention.

He believes a "proper system of accountability" giving financial credit to the postal service for many free or policy services it now performs would show the deficit a myth, and contends it should not be used as a reason for denying employment improvement to the postal workers."

## Back Pay Is Bigger Lure Than \$275,000 Gift

Portland, Ore.—A 21-year-old \$8-a-week water carrier for a circus playing Portland remained at his post under the white tops today and refused to leave to collect a \$275,000 inheritance available in Los Angeles because he declared the circus owes him \$60 "hold-back money."

The youth, Robert Sterling of Philadelphia, Pa., said he would remain with the circus until it reached Los Angeles, where he would answer per-